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DATE OF CONTENT 1 to 5 May 1954

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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CB - Converted Boxcar; B - Boxcar; F - Flatcar

1. The following troop trains were identified from railroad records between 1 and 5 May 1954:

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<u>Date in May</u>	<u>Composition of Troop Trains</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
1	2 CB, 15 F	Dallgow	Rosslau
2	9 CB, 44 B, 31 F	Fuerstenwalde	Lieberose
3	28 CB, 35 B, 157 F	Brandenburg	Altengrabow
	16 CB, 16 B, 88 F	Wildpark	"
	14 CB, 14 B, 90 F	Potsdam	"
	6 CB, 3 B, 32 F	Rathenow	"
	5 CB, 4 B, 23 F	Hennigsdorf	Fuerstenberg/Havel
	14 CB, 9 B, 48 F	Kuestrin	Justerbog-Altes Lager
	13 CB, 60 B, 11 F	Bernau	Zehdenick
4	5 CB, 10 B, 42 F	Brandenburg	Altengrabow
	16 CB, 15 B, 38 F	Wildpark	"

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Date in May	Composition of Troop Trains	From	To
4	7 CB, 8 B, 45 F	Wildpark	Altengrabow
	8 CB, 19 B, 33 F	Potsdam	"
	8 CB, 6 B, 46 F	"	"
	9 CB, 26 B, 21 F	Rathenow	"
	22 CB, 11 B, 137 F	"	"
	10 CB, 7 B, 33 F	Hennigsdorf	Neubukow
5	13 CB, 18 B, 30 F	Potsdam	Altengrabow
	7 CB, 14 B, 34 F	Wildpark	"
	18 CB, 15 B, 54 F	Fuerstenwalde	Neubukow
	22 CB, 9 B, 89 F	Bernau	Altengrabow
	2 CB, 2 B, 33 F	Oranienburg	"

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2. On and after 3 May, troop trains of a similar composition as above allegedly have been dispatched from the Cottbus railroad district to Dresden. Most of the trains operated to and from Koenigsbrueck. 8

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1. Comment. If the troop train should actually carry an army unit, dispatching and receiving stations indicate that contingents of the 18th (?) Engr Bn of the 1st Mech Div went to Rossau for field exercises on the Elbe River.

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2. Comment. The troop trains probably carried units of the 7th Gds Mech Div to the Lieberose troop training grounds. advance details left Fuerstenwalde for Lieberose by road and on regular passenger trains between 16 and 25 April 1954. The Lieberose troop training grounds was to be occupied in late April and early May 1954. 25X1

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3. Comment. Departures from Potsdam, Wildpark and Brandenburg were previously reported. As no definite conclusions can be drawn on the identity of the troops loaded at these railroad stations, the assumption mentioned in the reference report is still upheld. Movements observed include 9 troop trains from Rathenow, and 10 troop trains from Potsdam and Wildpark. As, in the spring of 1953, about the same number of trains was employed for the transfer to Altengrabow, it is believed that the movement probably terminated on 5 May 1954.

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4. Comment. The troop trains from Hennigsdorf which is located south of Velten probably carried components of the 31st AAA Div from Fuerstenberg to Neubukow.

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5. Comment. The troop train probably carried elements of the light AAA regiment of the 32nd AAA Div (US) stationed at Kuestrin to the Altengrabow troop training grounds for combat firing practice.

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6. Comment. The composition of the troop trains indicate that probably advance details moved to the Templin troop training grounds.

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7. Comment. The two troop trains probably carried contingents of the 63rd AAA Div (US) to Wustrow for firing practice with live ammunition.

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8. Comment. As the 9th Mech Div, which is stationed in the Cottbus area, moved to the Forst Tauer troop training grounds on and after 26 April 1954, the information that troop trains went from the Cottbus railroad district to Dresden is not given credence. Rather it is believed that Koenigsbrueck, which is located in the southern part of the Cottbus railroad district, will be the receiving station of troop trains from the Dresden railroad district which, during the movement to summer camps, are expected from the billeting areas of the 8th Gds Mech Div and 11th Gds Tank Div.

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